

# Statistical Profile on: KING COUNTY

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## DEMOGRAPHICS

POPULATION	
1980	1,269,898
1990	1,507,319
1995	1,613,600
2000	1,737,034
2003	1,779,300
2004	1,788,300
2005	1,808,300
2006	1,835,300
2007	1,861,300
2008	1,884,200

Population Growth, 1980 - '90: +237,400 (18.7%)  
Population Growth, 1990 - '00: +229,715 (15.2%)

Population Forecast, 2010: 1,833,000 - 1,856,000

Hhld Growth Target 2001-2022: 157,932  
Households, 2000 Census: 710,916  
Ave. Hhld Size, 2000 Census: 2.39

### 2000 Census Age Structure:

17 and under	390,646	22.5%
18 - 64	1,164,616	67.0%
65 and over	181,772	10.5%

### 2000 Census Race and Ethnic Categories:

Non-Hispanic White:	1,275,127	73.4%	
Black or African American:	91,798	5.3%	Hispanic or Latino: 95,252 5.5%
Asian and Pacific Islander:	195,352	11.2%	Two or more race: 60,660 3.5%
Native American and other:	18,855	1.1%	



## King County

**King County is the largest metropolitan county in the State of Washington in terms of population, number of cities and employment. It is the fourteenth most populous county in the United States.**

## LAND AREA

King County Total Land Area:	2,134	square miles (1,365,760 acres)
Unincorporated King County Area:	1,734	square miles (1,109,900 acres)
County Urban Growth Area:	460	square miles (294,400 acres)
- 39 Cities:	400	square miles (256,000 acres)
- Uninc. Urban:	60	square miles (38,400 acres)

## EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME

2007 Number of Business Units: 59,345

1999 Average Annual Wage: \$46,050

### Median Household Income:

1989 (1990 Census): \$36,179  
1999 (2000 Census): \$53,200

### \*Households by Income Category, 1999:

0 - 50%	154,000	21.7%
50 - 80%	123,200	17.3%
80 - 120%	140,500	19.7%
120% +	293,600	41.3%

### 2007 Total Jobs: 1,155,974

Construction/Resources:	71,432
WTU:	106,456
Manufacturing:	111,106
Retail:	109,475
Information/Technology:	172,716
Health:	112,704
Other Services/FIRE:	318,665
Government/Education:	153,419

### Major Businesses and Employers:

The Boeing Company	Amazon.Com
University of Washington	Nordstrom
King County Government	Fred Meyer
Providence Health System	Safeco
Alaska Air Group, Inc.	City of Seattle
Group Health Co-operative	Weyerhaeuser
United States Postal Service	Bank of America
Seattle School District #1	Swedish Hospital
Qwest Communications	COSTCO
Safeway Stores Inc.	
Microsoft Corporation	

## HOUSING

2000 Census Total Housing Units: 742,237

\*\*Single Family 443,405  
Multifamily 298,832

1990 Census Median 2-Bdrm. Rental: \$457

2000 Census Median 2-Bdrm. Rental: \$740

1990 Census Median House Value: \$140,100

2000 Census Median House Value: \$235,000

## DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

2007 Total New Residential Units: 14,067

\*\*Single Family 5,749  
Multifamily 8,318

2007 Formal Plats:	# Plats	#Lots	#Acres
Applications:	100	2,636	768.24
Recordings:	88	3,018	1,709.81

**Sources:** 2000 Census of Population and Housing; Puget Sound Regional Council tally of jobs covered by state unemployment insurance, from WA State Employment Security Department (WTU = Wholesale, Transportation, Utilities; FIRE = Finance, Insurance, Real Estate) WA State Office of Financial Management, Northwest Multiple Listing Service, Dupre and Scott Apartment Advisors, Inc.

\* Categories are percents of 2000 Census Median Household Income. \*\* Single Family includes mobile homes.